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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Applicant withdraws the non-entered amendment submitted in the reply to final Office action, filed January 22, 2003.

Please amend the application as indicated on the following pages (a total of 29, including this page).

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 21 of this paper.

An Appendix A (amended Declaration of Dr. John E.N. Morten) is attached following page 29 of this paper.

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